

REMARKS

Claims 13-20 are pending in the Application. Claims 13 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Claims 19 and 20 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b). Claims 13-18 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections and file a Notice of Appeal concurrently herewith. Applicants will specifically provide the reasons for traversal in Applicants' Appeal Brief.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner call Applicants' attorney at the below listed number if the Examiner believes that such a discussion would be helpful in resolving any remaining issues.

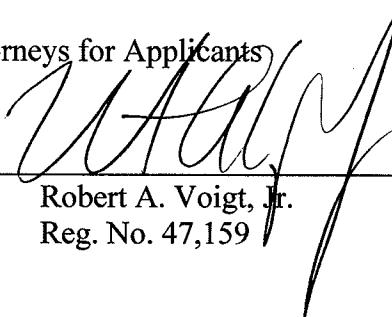
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